



JUDICIAL PROFILE

Robert L. Gottsfield has been on the bench since 1980 and is currently assigned to the Criminal Department. With nearly 20 years of experience with the court, Judge Gottsfield has handled numerous assignments over his career, including civil, criminal, family and special assignment. He served two years as Domestic Relations Presiding Judge. He has authored more than 70 legal articles and conducted more than 35 seminars for judges and lawyers on legal issues. Prior to his appointment to the Superior Court bench, he was in private practice and a partner with Rawlins, Ellis, Burris & Kiewit from 1963 to 1980 in Phoenix. He earned his law degree from Cornell Law School after he received a bachelor's degree from State University of New York at Binghamton. In 1981 he earned a Master of Counseling degree from Arizona State University.



Judge Gottsfield is an accomplished lawyer and trial judge. He is considered by the bench and the legal community to be a people person who demonstrates an interest in counseling, behavioral change and behavioral analysis. He has presided over many high profile trials reported by the media. Judge Gottsfield is a member of the Arizona Judges Association.